



CULTURAL ADVISORY COMMISSION

Minutes of the December 3, 2007 Meeting



Commissioners Present: Michelle Castro, Martin David, Chair; Debi Davis; Marwan Fawal; Susan Migliore; Al Silva, Vice Chair; and P.J. Vaswani

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Liaison: Pam Morrison, Staff Liaison

Visitors: Jim Narveson, Santa Clara Players

MATTERS FOR COUNCIL ACTION – None.

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call.** The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chair David.
2. **Approval of Minutes.** The minutes from the November 5, 2007 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Davis moved to accept the minutes as presented; Commissioner Fawal seconded the motion and it passed unanimously with Commissioner David abstaining as he was not present at the November meeting.
3. **Correspondence & Announcements:** Staff reviewed the correspondence received by the Commission, including thank-you notes from several of the artists in the current sculpture exhibition.
4. **New Business**
 - a. **Santa Clara Chorale – Update on Recent Productions.** Staff distributed information regarding the Santa Clara Chorale's recent productions.
 - a. **Santa Clara Players – Request for Payment from Recent Production.** Jim Narveson, representing Santa Clara Players, presented a funding request for the Santa Clara Players' production of "Steel Magnolias," which was budgeted in the 2007-08 fiscal year. Commissioner Fawal moved to release payment of \$1,500 to the Players; Commissioner Silva seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
 - b. **Suggestions to Improve Commission Visibility/Branding.** The Commission reviewed examples of graphics provided by Commissioner Migliore, which would be used by all funded groups to indicate that they received funding from the City of Santa Clara. Commissioner Fawal moved to use the preferred wording of "with the support of the Santa Clara Cultural Advisory Commission." Commissioner Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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5. Unfinished Business

a. “Art in the Air” Banner Display 2008

- 1) Recap of Entries. A total of fifteen entries were received.
- 2) Selection of Jury. By unanimous consent, the Commission decided no jury was necessary and the entire Commission would select the winning designs. A total of eight designs were selected during the meeting; staff will follow up with the selected artists.

b. “All Fired Up” Sculpture Exhibition Update

- 1) Status of DVD/Channel 15 Airing of Exhibition. Staff noted that the DVD is nearly complete and will be mailed to all artists and the commissioners shortly. In addition, the DVD will air on Channel 15, and will be available for viewing from the City’s website for the duration of the exhibition.
- 2) Request for Special Tour: California School for the Blind. The tour has been scheduled for Thursday, December 13 at 10 a.m. Ester Fernandez with the Triton Museum will lead the tour, and some of the artists plan to be present to talk about their artwork. Commissioners were encouraged to attend if possible. Commissioner Castro indicated she would be there.

c. Street Dance 2008 Update. This item was deferred to the next meeting.

d. Triton Museum of Art – Report of Activities. Commissioner Migliore reported on the most recent Triton Board meeting; staff distributed copies of the Triton monthly report of activities.

6. Commissioner Reports. Commissioners reported on art activities of general interest.

7. Public Presentations. None.

8. Adjournment. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:55 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 4, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. (there is no meeting in January 2008).

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Castro
Recording Secretary